## ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting of Tuesday, 03 March 2009

Mansfield Community Center (MCC) Conference Room

MINUTES

- **1.** The meeting was **called to order** at 7:05p by Acting Chair Kim Bova. *Members present:* Jay Ames, Kim Bova, Thomas Bruhn, Joan Prugh, Blanche Serban. *Members absent:* Leon Bailey, Scott Lehmann. *Others present:* Jay O'Keefe (staff).
- **2.** The draft **minutes** of the 06 January 2009 meeting were approved as written.
- 3. No public comments were received since the last meeting.
- **4. Correspondence.** Taylor Anderson would like to have a reception on Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, at 3:30 p.m. He plans to show the committee the invitations before he sends them out.
- **5. Coffee house readings. Mary Francis** organized a Memoir Reading session to be held at the Community Center on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7 to 9 p.m. Joah Prugh plans to participate.
- **6. Downtown Partnership**. Kim reported that the town is planning for the Mansfield Festival to be held on September 11-12-13. Due to changes in the budget, a tent for displaying art might not be available, and the town proposes to show the art inside the empty building space behind Store 24/7. The Saturday firework show could be replaced by a local talent show. A local entertainment could also be organized on Friday evening. Thomas will inquire at the Ballard Institute of Puppetry about the possibility of organizing a puppetry performance.
- **7. Insurance** for the art on display at the Community Center. Jay O. reported he had filed a request to include art displayed at the MCC in its insurance coverage, and is waiting for the insurance response. He will be able to specify the value of the coverage to the next meeting. The exhibition application was revised so that insurance coverage would be offered to the artists who list and value their works individually, while the artists who do not do so thereby would waive insurance coverage
- **8. Membership update.** The committee welcomed Thomas Bruhn as a new member. Jay O. reported that Leon Bailey resigned. The Committee again has an opening.

## 9. MCC art displays.

- **a.** The town is interested in organizing an art display celebrating the **Earth Day** between April 15<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup>. Also, the town wants to reserve the glass cases for a display advertising the **Town Festival** during the month of September.
- **b.** Joan found out that **Alex Delehanty** is interested in using both glass cases for the sculpy show.
- **c. Coming exhibitions**. Kim will invite a local artist to exhibit her quilts. Jay A. and Blanche will bring applications for exhibitions to the next meeting. The Committee discussed

ways to involve the local elementary and middle schools to organize an exhibition of children's art. The members agreed that spring might be the best time for such a show, and that the art teachers should be in charge of selecting the artwork. Blanche will inquire informally about this at Goodwin Elementary School. Jay A. volunteered to draft a letter to the art teachers inviting them to put together an exhibition next year.

	Entry cases		Sitting room		Hallway	
Exhibit Period	Double- sided	Shelves	Upper (5)	Lower (3)	Long (5)	Short (2)
Winter 15 Jan – 15 Apr	Nancy Conlon (decorated boxes, frames, etc.)		Joan Cole (lithographs)	Taylor Anderson (photos)		
Spring 15 Apr – 15 Jul	Alex Delehanty (sculpy work)					
Summer 15 Jul – 15 Oct	William Stallman ? (sculptured made from found objects)					

**<sup>8.</sup> Adjourned** at 8:05 p.m. Next meeting: Tuesday, 07 April 09, 7:00 p.m. Blanche Serban, Acting Secretary, 03 March 09; approved 05 May 09